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TEN ALLEGED MEMBERS OF CHESTER DRUG GANG CHARGED WITH MURDER AND RACKETEERING

According To Indictment, "Boyle Street Boys" Operated Out Of Highland Gardens Section of Chester, Delaware County – Two Defendants Charged With Murdering Federal Witness To Prevent Her From Testifying

PHILADELPHIA – United States Attorney Patrick L. Meehan, Jeffrey Lampinski, Special Agent in Charge, FBI, James M. Kasson, Special Agent in Charge, DEA, Mark Chait, Acting Special Agent in Charge, ATF, Delaware County District Attorney G. Michael Green, Commissioner John Finnegan, Chester Police Department, and Major Hawthorne N. Conley, Director, Bureau of Drug Law Enforcement, and Captain Robert V. Duprey, Commander Troop K, Philadelphia, both of the Pennsylvania State Police, today announced the filing of a superseding indictment¹ against Vincent Williams, Brian Rogers, Jamain Williams, Andre Cooper, Mark Rogers, Shane Taylor, Rashee Grant, and Damir Roberts, charging all with RICO, conspiracy to distribute cocaine, and various cocaine distribution offenses.

The superseding indictment alleges that from in or about 1996 through December 2002, the "Boyle Street Boys," that is, Vincent Williams, a/k/a "Tate," a/k/a "Taterhead," Brian Rogers, a/k/a "B," Jamain Williams a/k/a "Jarmaine," a/k/a "Jay," a/k/a "Maine," Andre Cooper a/k/a "Dre," Mark Rogers, a/k/a "Black Mark," Shane Taylor, Rahsee Grant, a/k/a "Bae-Bae," and Damir Roberts, a/k/a "Dams," operated a cocaine enterprise which routinely used physical violence and threats of violence to discipline and maintain control over the enterprise's workers, keep members of the enterprise and others from cooperating with law enforcement authorities or providing law enforcement authorities with any information or testimony against members of the enterprise, deter and eliminate competition from other drug dealers, and maintain their position of power and status in the area in which they dealt drugs.

"As the indictment alleges, this organization used violence and death to further its enterprise, while the fallout of fear and intimidation effectively held a community captive," said Meehan.

This indictment supersedes a previous indictment returned late last month in which Vincent Williams and Brian Rogers were charged alone with the murder of Tracy Saunders. It is alleged that on October 8, 2001, Ms. Saunders was shot by Rogers to prevent her from testifying against Williams

¹An Indictment or Information is an accusation. A defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

in his upcoming federal firearms case. Ms. Saunders had been scheduled to appear in court the next day. As a result of her death, all charges pending against Vincent Williams were dismissed without prejudice. Those firearms charges were reinstated in the previous indictment. Vincent Williams and Rogers are charged with murder in aid of racketeering, retaliation against a witness and tampering with a witness by murder, and Vincent Williams is charged with conspiracy to make false statements in acquisition of firearms, and aiding and abetting false statements in the acquisition of firearms.

“Ensuring the safety of citizens who come forward to cooperate with law enforcement is essential to the integrity of the judicial system,” said Meehan.

This superseding indictment also alleges that on April 22, 2000, Jamain Williams killed Randolph Harris to maintain his status as the leader of the “Boyle Street Boys.” Jamain Williams is charged with murder in aid of racketeering.

George Dorsey and Charlene Restucci are also charged with conspiracy to distribute cocaine and maintaining a house for drug distribution.

If convicted, Vincent Williams and Brian Rogers face a maximum sentence of death or life imprisonment without the possibility of parole. Jamain Williams faces a maximum of life imprisonment without the possibility of parole. Andre Cooper, Mark Rogers, Shane Taylor, Rashee Grant, and Damir Roberts face maximum sentences of life imprisonment and mandatory minimum sentences of at least ten years. Dorsey and Restucci face maximum sentences of forty years imprisonment.

As part of this coordinated federal and state effort, state authorities also arrested a number of defendants from the Chester area who are charged with various drug distribution offenses.

“This investigation brought together the forces of multiple federal and state agencies to combat the violence and drug dealing that has plagued this community,” said Meehan. “The people of Chester deserve to know that we are working to loosen the grip that fear and violence have had on their neighborhoods and we hope today’s arrests and indictment help begin the healing process.”

INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANTS

NAME	ADDRESS	AGE OR DATE OF BIRTH
Vincent Williams	2726 Boyle Street Chester, PA and 627 Coply Road Upper Darby, Pa	6/27/78; age 24
Brian Rogers	337 Hollins Avenue, Apt. C Crumlynn, PA	1/19/79; age 24
Jamain Williams	2726 Boyle Street Chester, PA 19013	9/6/79; age 23
Andre Cooper	2708 Jessup Street Wilmington, DE 19802	6-24-79; age 23
Mark Rogers	2712 Boyle Street Chester, PA 19013	3-4-77; age 24
Shane Taylor	2409 Society Drive Clamont, DE 19703	7-2-79; age 23
Rashee Grant	1204 Perkins Street Chester, PA 19013	3-5-81; age 21
Damir Roberts	2703 Smithers Street Chester, PA 19013	3-17-84; age 18
George Dorsey	2719 Smithers Street Chester, PA 19013	5-3-49; age 53
Charlene Restucci	2719 Smithers Street Chester, PA 19013	3-2-64; age 38

The case was investigated by a multi-agency task force which included the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Drug Enforcement Administration, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, the Pennsylvania State Police, the Delaware County District Attorney's Criminal Investigations Division, and the Chester Police Department.

Prosecution of the case has been assigned to Assistant United States Attorneys FAITHE MOORE TAYLOR and NANCY BEAM WINTER.

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